**A VISION OF CHRIST IN HEAVEN**

**Rev. 4:1 – 5:14: No. 3**

**The Text:** Rev. 5:1-14

**The Context:** The vision of Christ in heaven continues from chapter 4. John is physically in the Roman prison on the Greek island of Patmos, but spiritually is seeing Christ in heaven and writing an eye- witness account of what he hears and sees as God inspired the words.

Verse 1 Written inside and on the back

 Inside- Specific Details of the Deed of Ownership or Contract

 Outside- Summary of the Contents

 Ill: An “abstract”

 “a summary of points (as of a writing) usually presented in skeletal form, also: something that summarizes or concentrates the

 essentials of a larger thing or several things,” <https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/abstract>

 Ill: CliffsNotes Algebra ll

 <https://www.cliffsnotes.com/>

 Title Deed to the Earth

 Jeremiah 32:7-15

 ESVSBft Jer. 32:1-44

 ESVSBft Jer. 32:15

 Summary: God owns the Earth & has all legal rights to do what He Sovereignly

 Chooses.

 Sealed with seven seals

Verse 2 Strong Angel

 Not identified, but some scholars think that it might be *Gabriel*

 His name means “strength of God.”

 His service includes:

 Dan. 8:16, 9:20-21: Regarding the 70 weeks of Daniel

 Lk. 1:19: Regarding the birth of John, the Baptist

 Lk. 1:26: Regarding the birth of Jesus Christ

Verse 3 Heaven or on earth or under the earth

Verses 4 - 5 The Lion of the Tribe of Judah

 Gen. 49:8-10 & Matt. 1:1-16

 ESVSBft Gen 49:8-12

 The Root of David

 Isa. 11:1-10

 ESVSBft Isaiah 11:1-10

Verse 6 Lamb standing, as though it had been slain

 Compare John 1:29 with Isaiah 53:4-5, 11

 Three Witnesses: Paul, Peter, & John

 Rom. 3:21-26

 I Peter 2:24; 3:18, 22

 I John 2:1-2; 4:10

 The Lamb is alive & victorious Rev. 1:18

 Seven horns

Verses 7 - 8 Harp

 Psalm 33:1-3

 Bowls full of incense

 Prayers of the Saints

 This is a major theme in the Revelation. Three examples include:

 11:17-18

 16:4-7

 19:6-8

* These examples can help our Prayer Life.

Verses 9 - 10 New song

 A New Song from a New Heart, a Redeemed Heart

 Old Testament: The Book of Psalms

 33:3 Read ESVSBft on 33:1-3

 96:1-2

 144:9

* These Examples can help our Thought Life.

 Redeemed us to God by Your Blood

 Rev. 1:5-6

 2 Cor. 5:18-21

Verse 11 Myriads of myriads

 Literally, “innumerable”

 Daniel 7:9-10

 Heb. 12:22

Vss. 12 – 14 Power . . . Blessing

 Doxology reveals 7 qualities of God

Your Reflections & Responses?